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[Despatch Abstract.]

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HIGH TRAINING ABROAD OF MEDICAL PERSONNEL - PROCEDURE IN CASE
OF CANDIDATES FALLING ILL - GOVERNMENT OF INDIA'S LETTER -
RE:

BY AIR MAIL.

No.F.8/34/46-PR.
Government of India.
Ministry of Health.

New Delhi, the 14th May, 1948.

From

Harbans Singh, Esquire,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

To

1. The High Commissioner for India,
India House, Aldwych,
L O N D O N.
 2. His Excellency the Ambassador
for India in the United States of America,
635 F Street, N.W.,
W A S H I N G T O N.8 DC.
- Sub: Higher training abroad of medical personnel
Procedure to be adopted in the case of candi-
dates falling ill.

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Sir,

I am directed to say that the following procedure should be adopted in cases where a scholar selected for higher medical training falls seriously ill or contracts a disease abroad, resulting in the interruption of his/her studies:-

- (1) Intimation should be given to the Government of India as soon as it becomes apparent that the student's illness or disease will interfere with the further progress of his/her studies. Medical advice should also be obtained as early as possible and this Ministry may be informed whether:-
 - (a) the illness is likely to be protracted and, if so, the approximate period it is likely to last.
 - (b) the scholar is likely to be able to resume his/her studies with more or less unimpaired efficiency and
 - (c) the illness is due to the scholar's own misconduct or intemperate habits. A report as to (c) may follow in due course but that in regard to (a) and (b) should be sent to this Ministry as early as possible.
- (2) On receipt of the report this Ministry will decide whether the Government stipend should be discontinued and communicate the decision to the parents or guardians of the student in India who would also be warned that Government's liability would thereafter be confined to the payment of the return passage of the scholar.

Steps should be taken immediately for the repatriation of the scholar unless the parents desire to continue the treatment abroad at their own expense. In cases where the illness is likely to be a protracted one or the scholar is not likely to be able to resume his/her studies efficiently, you are requested to examine the question of his/her repatriation as early as possible and report to this Government whether he/she can be sent back to India, alone or with an escort, without any serious risk to his/her life or health. Government will have the ~~discretion~~ discretion to refuse the return passage if it is evident that the disease is one contracted by the scholar owing to his/her own misconduct or intemperate habits or

if the parents wish to postpone the return journey for reasons of their own for a period longer than six months.

- (4) You will naturally meet all the expenses in regard to the treatment of the scholar but will not pay him/her any stipend during the period of illness, if the illness necessitates a break in his/her studies and his/her removal to the hospital or nursing home. You are requested to ensure that, without detriment to the scholar's health, the arrangements made for his/her treatment are as economical as possible. It should generally be of the scale which is provided by Government for their junior officers.
- (5) Any essential expenditure after the date of discontinuance of the stipend may be advanced by the Ambassador/High Commissioner if the student has no other resources, under intimation to the Government of India, who will then inform the parents of the scholar of this and warn them that the advance will be discontinued if a reply, undertaking to refund all the advances and furnish such deposits as may be required by the Government from time to time, is not received within a reasonable time (say 10 days) of the intimation to them referred to in paragraph (2) above. You are also requested to obtain from the scholar the name and address of the parents or guardians who can be approached for recovery of the amount spent on the illness and forward it to this Ministry as early as possible. Meanwhile, and particularly if there are no parents or guardians, the scholar should be asked to give an undertaking to the effect that he/she will repay to Government the amount spent on him/her. In exceptional cases, Government may consider the question of making ex-gratia payment towards hospitalisation or medical expenses beyond the date of discontinuance of the stipend if the financial position of the scholar and his/her parents should warrant it, but the grant of such assistance will not normally cover a period exceeding one month from the date of stoppage of scholarship.. If however, you are of the opinion that the scholar's normal expenses should continue wholly or partially and that the stipend shall not be discontinued you may pay to him/her as an emergent measure an allowance sufficient to cover his/her needs and report to this Ministry immediately for a decision in regard to full or partial continuation of the stipend.
- (6) You will kindly satisfy yourself on the point that the illness cannot be regarded as one which was contracted by the scholar's own misconduct or temperate habits, before making your recommendations to the Government of India.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd...

Assistant Secretary.

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Education and Public Health. *Di*

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Higher Training abroad of medical personnel - Procedure to be adopted in the case of candidates falling ill - Government of India's letter Recorded.

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The Surgeon-General with a copy of Government of India letter.
The Director of Public Health with a " "
To the Accountant General " "

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Yours faithfully,
- Sd.,

Deputy Secretary to the
Government of India.

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Government of India.
Ministry of Health.

New Delhi, the 20th Dec.48.

From

M.R.Kothandaraman, Esquire,
Deputy Secretary to the Government of India.

To

1. The High Commissioner for India,
India House, Aldwych, London W.C.2.
2. His Excellency the Ambassador for India in the
United States of America, 2111-Massachusetts Avenue,
Washington Dc.

Subject:- Higher training abroad of medical allied subjects and
Dentistry - Procedure to be adopted in the case of
candidates falling ill.

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Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter No.
F.8/34/46-P&R dated the 14th May, 1948 on the subject mentioned
above and to say that the orders contained in the Ministry of
Education's letter No.F.3-12/47-SI dated the 1st October, 1948
will also apply mutatis mutandis to the scholars sent under the
Ministry's scheme of higher training abroad in medical and allied
subjects and Dentistry.

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Yours faithfully,

*Superintendent
of Records/Record Office.*

*(Sd) Deputy Secretary to the Govt.
of India.*